

From The President

Dear Neighbors:

Last month in this space, out going President Stan Hudson told you that we had made money again last year, and that we were developing plans to spend the money on neighborhood improvements. But he told only part of the Council's excellent condition as he steps down as president.

As of the end of the fiscal year on September 30, Council membership was at a recent high of 419. Our base of volunteers has also grown, enabling the Council to stage larger events such as last year's Old Fashioned Fourth of July. This newsletter, which used to be a drain on the Council's finances, is now paying for itself, and serving as a unifying force for the 3,600 homes and businesses which receive it on a monthly basis. In short, the Council has grown and prospered in the last years.

So what is left to do? We know part of the answer to that question. The projects currently underway (the Grinstead Avenue median & Frankfort Avenue flower beds, to mention two) will require a good deal of work to be completed and maintained. The inevitable requests for zoning changes will require continued monitoring by the Council. People will unfortunately continue to litter, and we will assist in organizing volunteers to pick it up.

What we don't know is what other projects you would like to see your Council undertake. What does Crescent Hill need? How would you spend the neighborhood's money? What can the Council do that it isn't already doing? And are we doing anything that we shouldn't be doing?

As Stan wrote last month, Crescent Hill is blessed with a large number of people willing to work to improve the neighborhood. But those people need to hear from you. This newsletter regularly lists Council officers and board members. Drop us a line, call or come to our board of directors meeting on November 14. We need to know what you want for Crescent Hill. Thanks!

Bill Hollander

Leaf Collection & Recycling News

Crescent Hill residents interested in recycling their leaves into compost have a new option this fall. The City of Louisville opened collection bins for leaves on October 8. They will remain open through December or as needed.

The closest bin for the Crescent Hill neighborhood is located at the Public Works facility at Lexington Road and Payne Street. Other bins are located on North Western Parkway, Meriwether Avenue and Anna Lane and Manslick Road.

The leaf recycling bins are open Tuesday through Friday from 2-7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only loose leaves will be accepted, so plan on dumping leaves from garbage bags and reusing the bags.

Leaves deposited in the bins will be taken to the Grade Lane compost site, which is operated by the city, Metropolitan Sewer District and Waste Management of Kentucky. The compost will be used by Operation Brightside.

Yard wastes takes up about 18 percent of the space in the average landfill. Composting is an excellent way to extend the lives of landfill and create rich soil and mulch.

If you can't make it to the leaf recycling bins, the city will continue to collect a maximum of five bags of leaves from each residence on regular garbage collections days. Any number of bags of leaves will be collected during the November Project Pickup week, which begins on November 25 in Crescent Hill. Items to be picked up in Project Pickup should be placed where you put your regular garbage before 6:00 a.m. on November 25.

Sidewalk Planned for Brownsboro Rd

Walking in Crescent Hill could be easier by next spring. The City of Louisville is proceeding with plans to install a sidewalk on the north side of Brownsboro Road, from Idelwylde Avenue east to the city limits. The project includes a 1.2 mile section in Crescent Hill. First Ward Alderman Melissa Mershon has agreed to fund the \$100,000 project through the City's Neighborhood Projects Reserve Fund.

Affected landowners were invited to meetings on September 25 and 26. Detailed drawings of the sidewalk location were displayed at the meetings, and Alderman Mershon and the project engineer were available to answer questions.

In order to proceed with the entire project, the City needs to obtain easements from 15 of the 76 affected property owners. Construction of the sidewalk could be completed next spring.



Council Members Staff Recycling Center

On October 5th, several community council members volunteered to staff the recycling center behind the firehouse to distribute recycling instructions and take a survey of those who recycle. Thanks to all those who volunteered their time.

Olde Tyme Christmas on Frankfort Avenue

The Frankfort Avenue Business Association will again this year be sponsoring an "Olde Tyme Christmas on Frankfort Avenue". The event is scheduled for Saturday, December 7th.

Many retailers will have special activities at their stores and will be open until 9pm that evening. The Frankfort Avenue Business Association has already scheduled many events and are in the process of adding more.

Some of the events that have already been scheduled to date include:

- Santa's Visit to Crescent Hill will again be held on the lawn of the water works from 4 to 8pm.
- Contest for the Best Decorated Business window or store front. Judging will take place on Thursday, December 5th. To enter the contest call Margaret Cannon at 896-6383.
- Santa's Visit to Clifton, a new event this year will be at Frames and Things located at 1942 Frankfort Ave. from 4 to 8pm.
- Contest for Best Decorated Private Home on Frankfort Ave. will take place on Thursday Dec. 5th. If you would like to participate call 896-4706.
- Churches are now scheduling special events such as carolers, Christmas music and bell choirs. Area churches are being contacted by Mitch Phillips, pastor of Third Lutheran Church (896-6383). The schedule of events will be distributed through areas businesses.
- Special Transportation is being scheduled for the evening. We plan again this year to offer horse and buggy rides along the avenue.

The Frankfort Avenue Business Association sincerely hopes that you enjoyed the event last year and that you will again come out and support your area neighborhood businesses during this holiday season.

A special brochures with schedule and times of events in being printed for your convenience. This brochure may be picked up, free of charge, at any business that is a member of the Frankfort Ave. Business Assoc.

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